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Notice to Mariners: Target Drone and Missiles Being Launched April 15

The NASA Wallops Flight Facility will support the U.S. Navy in the firing of target drones and a missile from Wallops Island into the Atlantic Ocean 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., April 15. Surveillance of the area will begin at 7 a.m. The backup days are April 16 and 17. The area in the Atlantic Ocean that poses a danger to mariners during the project is posted on the Boaters Launch Information page under the Wallops web site at www.wff.nasa.gov. Boaters are asked to remain clear of this area during operations.

Wallops will fly an orange blimp at 400 feet altitude over Wallops Island beginning 30 minutes before the firings. The blimp will be lowered when the mission is completed and the danger to mariners no longer exists. In addition, boaters may tune to Marine Channel 12 to monitor the operations.

Completion of the mission will be noted the Wallops launch status line at 757-824-2050.

Thank you for your assistance and support.

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